

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, historic preservation is an effective tool for managing growth, revitalizing neighborhoods, fostering local pride, and maintaining community character while enhancing livability; and

WHEREAS, historic preservation is relevant for urban and rural communities across South Carolina and the nation and for people of all ages, walks of life, and ethnic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, it is important to celebrate the role of history in our lives and the contributions made by dedicated individuals in helping to preserve the tangible aspects of the heritage that has shaped us as a people; and

WHEREAS, "Restore America: Communities at a Crossroads" is the theme for the 2005 observance of National Historic Preservation Month, cosponsored in the Palmetto State by the Sumter County African American Cultural Society and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 2005 as

HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness of the importance of protecting our unique heritage to our quality of life.



A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Mark Sanford".

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA